

Applicant respectfully submits that it would not be obvious to combine the Showalter and Sullivan references as suggested by the Examiner. It is not obvious to combine the aperture of Showalter with Sullivan. The Sullivan device is not placed between the passenger compartment and the golf bags, rather the Sullivan device is placed outside the golf bags to help shield them. The Showalter device also has an outer protective cover to protect the golf bags and that outer protective cover does not comprise an aperture for a support bracket.


It is therefore respectfully submitted that the combination of Sullivan and Showalter is improper and Applicant respectfully submits that rejection of Claims 2-19 should be withdrawn.

Applicant maintains and repeats in full at this point by reference here the arguments of Applicant's previous response.

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Respectfully submitted,

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